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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: House Select Committee Contact

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George Cary, John Warner and I met with Searle Field and Jack Boos of the House Select Committee Staff in Field's office today to discuss procedures.

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- opened the session by describing agreements on procedures reached with the Senate Select Committee. He covered paraphrasing, compartmentation, certification of clearances, secrecy agreements, compartmentation of data, and proposed exchange of correspondence between the DCI and the Committee Chairman which would take note of agreement on such matters.
- 3. Field indicated personal problems (and problems mentioned by others under consideration for Staff employment) at the prospect of having to be "cleared" by the FBI. He seemed to take offense at the concept and emphasized his view that clearances were a matter for the Committee to decide.
- 4. Field also indicated a questioning attitude concerning secrecy agreements. We emphasized the importance that security arrangements and secrecy agreements will have in establishing the credibility of the Committee and the Staff. The discussion of all this included our hopes that the Committee will focus on inadequacies in the laws governing protection of classified information.
- 5. We alerted Field and Boos to the Third Agency Rule and its effect on document requests.

- 6. Field says the Staff and the Committee will be attempting to sharpen the issues to be reviewed and the sharpening will be taking place over the next two or three weeks.
- 7. We discussed possibilities for early briefings of the Committee and Staff. Field leans toward a morning-long briefing session here to get the Committee educated on the Agency and its top management. This could be followed within a few days by an appearance before the Committee by the Director whose presentation would be based on the issues he believes it important that the Committee deal with.

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